



Covenant Christian High School  
He Calls Them All By Name







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Lift your eyes and look to the heavens:  
Who created all these?  
He who strings out the starry host one by one,  
and calls them each by name.  
Isaiah 40:26a



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# Academics



Kate Belstra



David Bykerk



Marena den Dulk



Amber Hubers



Nicole Mulder



Julia Rittberg



Neal Schering



Tricia Schoon



Kristin Walstra



Joseph Zandstra

# Seniors

Look to the future,  
remember the past

As the seniors look toward the future when they are all out of high school and into the 'real world,' they will also look back at the memories they have shared together.

Mandy being stuck behind the door, Amber falling asleep under the stage and leaving school to go get her calculator at home, along with pranks during service week are only some of the many memories they will remember.

Mrs. Dunton's memories of the senior class include Marena's speech about her handbags, Adam and Chris's sword fight during the play *Fantastics*, Dave trying to dress as a cheerleader, and the decorations of Jr/Sr Banquet.

Being the last class in the portables, Adam Johnson remembers how being there brought our class closer together because "you couldn't get away from anyone."

The senior class will never forget the years at CCHS and the closeness of their class. Think of what their reunion will be like when they recall all these memories.





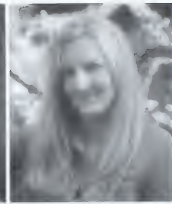
Chris Hubers



Adam Johnson



Josh Kuiper



Shelley Lagestee



Mark Schuringa



Chris Szafranski



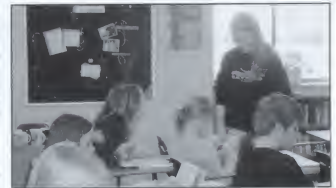
Mandy Van Kley



Michael Van Schouwen



Members of the senior class lounge around in El Paso, Texas during Service Week.



Nicole talks to Mandy and Kate during a break from class.



Preparing for history class, Josh, Kate, Marena and Joe discuss their assignment.



The senior girls show off their work in Mexico.



Nicole works on another assignment.

# Juniors Stand Tall Together

This class had many experiences that contributed to the growth of the class as a whole and the students as individuals. They all experienced the joys of chemistry class and the beginnings of college searches. They even showed off their dance moves by winning the Spirit Day contest.

The juniors also grew to enjoy individual interests. For example, when the Napoleon

Jessica was amazed by Megan Boer's ability to play in pep band and take pictures for yearbook simultaneously.

Dynamite movie came out, many juniors were quoting it for weeks while others had no interest in it at all.

All in all, it was a great year. They can now look forward having an awesome senior year next year.

Adam was Little Red Riding Hood and Dawn was the wolf in a Spanish class skit.



"Now, just imagine you're weightless, in the middle of the ocean, surrounded by tiny little seahorses."

Chemistry can be a lot of fun as Hannah Johnson shows.





In a truly unique interpretation of "The Three Billy Goats Gruff," Mary Ann Van Schepen, Kelli Kingma and Jen Dekker do a stunning job as the goats.



Megan Boer  
Jacqueline Bos  
Nick DeKryger  
Kyle DeBoer



Jennifer Dekker  
Kiersten Friend  
Sarah Hoek  
Brittney Jacobus



Hannah Johnson  
Jake Jones  
Kelli Kingma  
Adam Van Der Molen



Dawn Van Kuiken  
Mary Ann Van Schepen  
Jessica Wetselaar  
Megan Wilson

Alex meets a starfish.



One service week presentation is given by Dan De Graff and Adrianna Oudman.



Kevin Kachos wants you for Mr. Alphenaar's study hall!

While trying to finish work, Nick Devries is slightly distracted.



# Sophomores

The sophomore class experienced several changes since their previous year at Covenant. Everyone in the class now enjoys the fact that they are no longer the "Little Freshmen" in school. The sophomore class also grew larger when joined by Kathy Kuiper and Mark Vander Meer. With two years now completed, the sophomore class is looking forward to the upcoming years at Covenant.

Waiting for choir to start, Michelle Lagestee sits in her assigned seat.



Jenna Bruck  
Daniel De Graff  
Robert den Dulk  
Nick DeVries  
Ryan Handtke

Angela Hubers  
Kevin Kackos  
Kathy Kuiper  
Michelle Lagestee  
Erin Long

Caitlin McKenna  
Caleb Mulder  
Adrianna Oudman  
Lauren Ridder  
Alex Tysen

John Van Schepen  
Mark Vander Meer  
Aaron VanderMolen  
Sam Wetselaar

What an interesting and exciting year it was for the freshmen. With 28 students, Covenant had the largest class in the school's history. Each student contributed to the bright atmosphere, and everyone adapted well to the classes. With new schedules and new classes, the freshmen became well acquainted with the motion of Covenant. A bright beginning led them to a fun and enjoyable year. By joining the many extracurricular activities, the freshmen fit right in.

With all the new students also came larger teams and classes. The freshmen mingled well with the group here at Covenant with their bright, sociable, and Christ-like attitudes. They can look forward to many more awesome years at Covenant Christian High.

Talking animatedly, the freshman class makes an attempt to finish their homework.



With a ski boot in hand, Kerri Wunderink explains how to safely put on ski equipment for a demonstration in Mr. Nanninga's health class.

Working diligently on his algebra, Dan Glemby makes great use of his time.



# Freshmen



Kyle Beedle  
Angela Bykerk  
Daniel Bykerk  
Jessica Dahm  
Sara DeBoer

Rebecca Dorn  
Daniel Glemby  
Steven Handtke  
Doug Hoekstra  
Katie Hubers

Bethany Jacobus  
Sarah Johnson  
Amanda Kalma  
Lauren Kermelis  
Kirk Maatman

Elise Piekarczyk  
Rebecca Schoon  
Jason Schuringa  
David Schurman  
Lauren Slater

Eric Swanson  
Tiffany Tazelaar  
Jessica Terpstra  
Laura Turngren  
Eric Van Der Molen

Bradley Van Kulken  
Kerri Wunderink  
Betsy Zandstra



Brian Alphenaar



Maureen Birkett



Natalie Boonstra



Lois DeVries



Shelley Dexter



Julia Dunton



Judy Friend



Thiesa Hubers



Al Kamminga



Pat Luekens



Gladys Schliemann



Mark Scholten



Cheryl Sjaardema



John Tamming



Ken Tazelaar



Gina Van Baren



Pam Van Zyl



Curt Vredevoogd



Shannon Walstra



Bonnie Zeilenga





Liz Dorn

# Faculty & Board



Sharon Nanninga



Todd Nanninga

The staff of CCHS strives to make learning interesting and fun. This year we had Mr. Tamming as our interim principal, and gained one full-time addition, Mr. Brian Alphenar. He teaches algebra, geometry, and pre-calculus classes.

Several people from the community shared their specific talents by teaching part-time courses.

Mrs. Zeilenga's smiler grew broader as she prepared to leave us in December to stay home with baby Gabrielle. Mrs. Van Zyl's helpful smile (and bowl of candy) now greets everyone that comes to the office.



Mr. Vredevoogd teaches English, journalism and is the sponsor for several extracurricular activities.



(from left to right) Jeanell Bos, Jon Hoek, Jeff DeVries, John Sjaardema, Butch Zandstra, Dave Long, Carol Lagestee and John Tamming.

This year's school board has done its best to guide and protect Covenant with their hard work and dedication. Thank you!



# Art Spanish Gym

## CORE CLASSES

Gently holding her clay pot, Adriana smoothes the sides.

With her pot flipped upside-down, Michelle shapes the base.

Sam works meticulously at his art drawing of the American flag.

Tricia loves throwing clay onto the wheel.

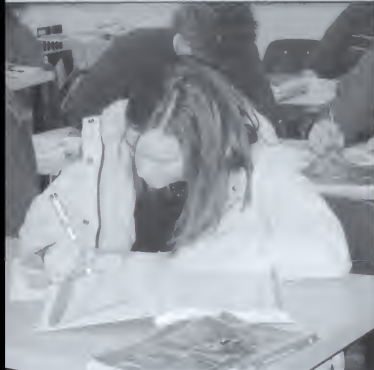
Receiving assistance from Mrs. Boonstra, Adam Johnson carefully molds a clay pot.





1. Caleb pauses from their two-step.
2. Mrs. Dorn attempts to lead Sam and Ryan.
3. Erin gets into the groove of line dancing.
4. Kyle acts as King in a Spanish play.

Working diligently, Sarah Hoek uses her Spanish glossary to finish her homework.



Reading studiously, David Bykerk, Kristin Walstra and Amber Hubers enjoy their espanol lesson.

Proudly wearing her sombrero grande, Mrs. Nanninga leads a lesson.



"I love Spanish because it is preparing me for being a nurse and talking to Spanish patients."

-Jenna Bruck

# CORE CLASSES

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## Math Child Development Science

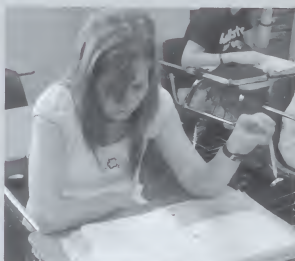
Daniel De Graff is overcome with joy when in geometry.

Contemplating a math problem, Caitlin McKenna is deep in thought.

Nick DeKryer and Mr. Alphenaar just love "math" time!

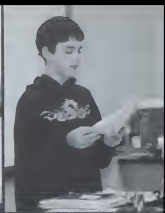
Always eager to learn, Jessica Dahm thrives off of algebra.

Math is funny to Lauren Kermelis, but Laura Turngren and Tiffany Tazelaar are caught "doing good."





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1. The child development students had fun visiting the hospital with Mrs. Zeilenga and Mrs. Karen Boon.
2. Marena & Julia time a ball's velocity.
3. Kyle informs his class of moped safety.

With a tasty starfish close by, Ryan Handtke is ready to enjoy his appetizing science treat.



Elise Piekarczyk and Laura Turngren demonstrate safety and appropriate apparel for motorcycle riding.

What is this? It is Mr. Nanninga's gray tree fr that he received from Ryan Handtke.



"Mr. Alphenaar's funny hand motions help me understand algebra problems."

-Eric Van Der Molen





# English History Bible

## CORE CLASSES

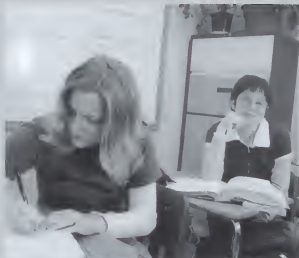
Adrianna Oudman just can't say enough about English class.

As Kristin Walstra daydreams, Shelley Lagestee is hard at work.

After reading a history chapter, Dan Glemby and Kirk Maatman discuss the text.

Paying deep attention to Mrs. Dunton, Hannah listens to "History Talk."

Cheerfully doing a worksheet, Betsy, Angela, and Kerri jump into their fun History work!







1. As always, Doug is working hard.



2. Absorbing Biblical knowledge, Jake and Nick study their textbooks.

Unlike Erin Long and Jenna Bruck, Caitlin McKenna is so involved in her English reading that she can't get her head out of the book.



"It was interesting to learn about the discovery of parts of Noah's Ark,"  
-Michelle Lagestee



New Testament Survey students Kate and Kristin show off the Tree of Jesus' Life class project.

One of many roles that Mr. Tamming had this year was teaching 11th and 12th grade Bible.



# Band

Betsy Zandstra keeps the beat for the pep band during half time.



The CCHS band this year once again had a lot of talent. They played music by a variety of composers from John Swearingen to the Canadian Brass. There were also a lot of outstanding solos and ensembles done by members of the band. Their ability to play songs that were fast and furious and songs that were slow and calm made for an enjoyable variety of music during the concerts. Trumpet player Megan Boer explained, "Band was a lot of fun this year, and I enjoyed playing all the different kinds of music."

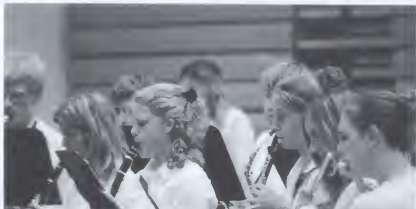
Focusing on the music, Adam practices for the upcoming concert. The trumpet players were challenged to stretch their abilities and soar into high notes and strong melodies.



A close up of Ryan Handtke's saxophone really shows the beauty of playing an instrument.



Beautiful sounds were heard from the woodwind section.



Left-Right, Standing: Lauren Kernelis, Angela Hubers, Nick DeVries; Back: Kyle Beedle, Steve Handtke, Aaron VanderMolen, Megan Boer, Jessica Weitselaar, Mark Schuringa, Adam Van Der Molen; Middle: Joe Zandstra, Ryan Handtke, Dan Bykerk, David Schurman, Sam Weitselaar, Adam Johnson, Rebecca Schoon, Nick DeKryger; Front: Laura Turngren, Kate Belstra, Adrianna Oudman, Betsy Zandstra, Bethany Jacobus, Erin Long, and Director Lois DeVries



This was another great year for the choir, and it was the largest choir in the history of Covenant Christian High School. The choir not only worked on improving their voices, but learned what it really means to bring praise and glory to God. With Mr. Ken Tazelaar's guidance and leadership they were able to perform at the best of their ability. He showed them the true reason for singing, which is not to bring praise to ourselves but to God. Mrs. Karen Handtke greatly aided the choir by playing the piano. All in all, the choir sang well and learned how to bring praise to God.

# Choir

The bass section of the choir watches for Mr. Tazelaar's directions during the choir concert.

Sopranos Sarah Johnson and Jessica Terpstra concentrate on singing the true meaning of the song.



Top: Daniel Glemby, Kirk Maatman, Joshua Kuiper, Eric Van Der Molen, Robert den Dulk, Alex Tysen, Dawn Van Kuiken, Jason Schuringa, Caleb Mulder, Jake Jones, Kyle DeBoer, Adam Johnson, Chris Hubers; Second: Kristin Walstra, Angela Bykerk, Marena den Dulk, Rebecca Dorn, Caitlin McKenna, Jenna Bruck, Nicole Mulder, Mark Vander Meer, Doeg Hoekstra, Eric Swanson, Brad Van Kuiken, Dan De Graff; Third: Becky Schoon, Sarah Johnson, Jessica Terpstra, Lauren Slater, Kathy Kuiper, Jen Dekker, Megan Wilson, Kiersten Friend, Kelli Kingma, Hannah Johnson, Jacqueline Bos, Sarah Hoek. Brittney Jacobus; Front: Kerri Wunderink, Katie Hubers, Tiffany Tazelaar, Lauren Ridder, Elise Piekarczyk, Jessica Dahm, Michelle Lagestee, Sara DeBoer; Director Ken Tazelaar, pianists Armanda Kalma, Karen Handtke







The junior class gathered together to show off their energetic smiles. The staff voted them the class that displayed the most school spirit.

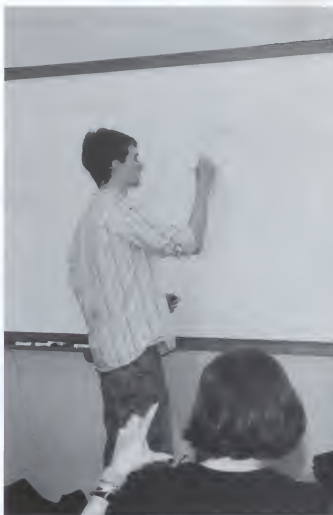


The senior class gathers around a table on Spirit Day. To show their spirit they all wore cheerleading or basketball uniforms.



Joe Zandstra displays the "suckers" in his store to Hannah Johnson and Kate Belstra. Mr. Alphenaar, Mark Scholten and Mike Johnson were good sports.

Mark Schuringa leads a Student Council meeting during lunch to plan Field Day activities.



During the Christmas Banquet Rebecca Dorn, Bethany Jacobus, Sara DeBoer, and Sarah Johnson form a huddle to coordinate their modus operandi for the night.

# Student Council



Student Council planned many unique activities for the student body this year, including a 50's Christmas banquet, various fundraisers, spirit week, and field day. Led by Mark Schuringa and Mr. Alphenaar, the year was a great success.

Front: Kate Belstra, Shelley Lagestee, Brittney Jacobus, Adrianna Oudman, Sarah DeBoer; Back: President Mark Schuringa, Amber Hubers, Hannah Johnson, Angela Hubers, Dan Bykerk, Mr. Alphenaar



Marena den Dulk, Adrianna Oudman and Nicole Mulder volunteered to cut the hair off the two heads that received the most monetary votes in a student council fundraiser.



Ryan Handkte sports his newly shaved head.



Robert den Dulk also has a smooth new look.

# Praise and Worship

Praise and Worship this year was full of a variety of activities. Many different ministers came in to speak, and teachers and students gave their testimonies. Small groups were also formed to unite the student body more.

The Praise and Worship committee organized several other activities outside of the normal twenty minute time periods. Every Monday night a prayer meeting was held to pray for the school and needs of the students. One week in November was designated as Spiritual Emphasis Week; hour long chapels were held every day for the students. In February, a lock in for the 30 Hour Famine was the main activity. Fun was had by all, and the Committee looks forward to another good year next year.

"I'm an evangelist!"



Through the skits they performed, the Covenant Players showed the students of CCHS the power of the Gospel.



Aaron VanderMolen, Kelli Kingma, and Hannah Johnson attended the Monday night prayer meetings.



Students and faculty gather in the cafeteria for that morning's Praise and Worship.

Mrs. Dunton and several of the teachers spoke at various Praise and Worship meetings.







The students worked to represent the 29,000 children who die of starvation every day by posting pictures on the cafeteria walls. World Vision posters also advertised the famine.



Pastor Don Helton was one of the many ministers who came to speak to the students.



Senior Kristin Walstra gives her testimony in front of the student body.



Students circled around the flag pole on Sept. 15 to pray for our country, community, and school.



After eating cookies and peanut butter for a demonstration, Marena den Dulk uses hand motions to describe the experience.



The '04-'05 Praise and Worship Team: (back) Amber Hubers, Chris Szafranski, Angela Hubers, Neal Schering, Adam Johnson, Lauren Kermelis, Aaron VanderMolen, Alex Tysen (front) Megan Boer, Mrs. Dunton, Adrianna Oudman, Kelli Kingma

# The Sunshine Boys

Miss O'Neil takes a cranky Willie's pulse

In November CCHS presented the play "The Sunshine Boys" by Neil Simon. The audience got to see the crazy life of two retired vaudeville comedians who were partners but enemies for 43 years. They are reunited to do one last sketch for the television documentary on the history of comedy. The two old men bicker the entire week and can't get any practicing done. During dress rehearsal, Willie is under so much stress that he has a heart attack and ends up back home in bed. Willie's nephew, Ben, convinced Willie to see Al (his partner) one last time. During the visit, Willie realizes that they are both going to spend their last days at the same Actor's Retirement Home. Despite their differences, however, Willie decides to make the best of the situation and get along with Al as well as he can.

"Don't touch that phone!"

A crowd gathers around Willie after his heart attack.



Miss MacKintosh answers the phone.



"Open Wider!" "Ahhhhh"



"Just Right"

## Cast List:

(in order of appearance, right)

Miss O'Neill ----- Jessica Wetselaar  
Patient----- Betsy Zandstra  
Barbra, the announcer-- Jessica Dahm  
Marge, the director--Hannah Johnson  
Jenny, the assistant----- Sara DeBoer  
Miss MacKintosh----- Julia Rittberg  
Ben Silverman----- Chris Szafranski  
Willie Clark----- Elise Piekarczyk  
Al Lewis----- Adam Johnson





# Ladies in Retirement

"Look Ellen, a dead bird!"



In the spring, Covenant presented a new type of drama: a murder/mystery. "Ladies in Retirement" took the audience back into the 1950's to a house in England owned by a woman named Leonora Fiske. Miss Fiske, a lonely old woman, invites her friend Ellen to stay for a while. Ellen in turn invites her two simple sisters, Emily and Louisa, to visit as well. When Ellen realizes she has promised her sisters that they can stay when Leonora says they can't, she solves the problem by getting rid of Leonora. Albert, Ellen's nephew, and Lucy, Leonora's maid, become suspicious and trick Ellen into revealing the murder she had done.



Leonora looks with disgust at the "treasures" Emily brought in.



Albert reassures Lucy.



Sister Theresa arrives.



"The death-in-life..."



Leonora calmly plays "Tit Willow" and is unaware of Ellen's sinister plan.



## Cast List:

(in order of appearance, left)

Lucy Gilham-----Angela Hubers  
Albert Feather-----Mark Schuringa  
Ellen Creed-----Tricia Schoon  
Leonora Fiske-----Jessica Wetselaar  
Sister Theresa-----Dawn Van Kuiken  
Louisa Creed-----Megan Boer  
Emily Creed-----Sara DeBoer  
Assistant Director-----Chris Szafranski  
Director-----Mr. Curt Vredevoogd

# Yearbook

The yearbook committee was an enthusiastic group that tried to make every Monday night meeting full of laughter. The group was headed up by Mrs. Patty Wetselaar, who pushed everyone to work hard so everything would be done on time. Student editor

positions were a new responsibility added to the committee this year; the juniors and seniors on the committee took up the challenge. "The experience of being an editor was educational as well as stimulating," stated copy editor and senior Joe Zandstra.

Between eating french fries and talking on her cell phone, Kate Belstra, photo editor, finds plenty of time to finish a yearbook page.



Mark Vander Meer and Dan De Graff work hard on a spread.



Sarah Johnson and Rebekah Dorn work together to finish a page.



Mrs. Wetselaar, Sarah Johnson, and Caleb Mulder sort through pictures to make sure lots of good shots get in the book.



Concentrating on her project for the night comes easy to business editor and junior Kiersten Friend.

# Book Discussion

This is the first year that CCHS organized a book discussion group. At the first meeting they decided which books to read, and one book was discussed at each following meeting.

Appropriate refreshments were brought in, for instance, devil's food cake for the discussion of The Screwtape Letters.

Other books read included Friday Night Lights, and The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde. The club was sponsored by Mrs. Maureen Birkett and Mr. Curt Vredevoogd.

Keen interest was routinely displayed by Kiersten Friend and Amber Hubers during the meetings.



Mrs. Birkett and Amber Hubers reflect on one of the many jokes that were shared at meetings.



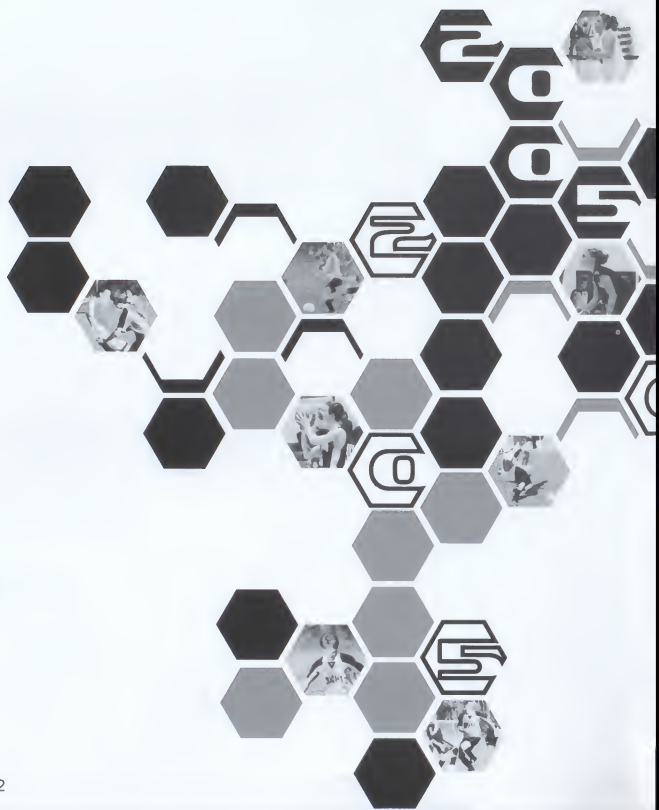
Book discussion members Neal Schering and Angela Hubers read Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde at a meeting held in Covenant's library.



Mr. Vredevoogd enjoys a scone as Kiersten Friend looks on with interest.



Members of the club discuss a book over tea. Clockwise from left are Chris Szafranski, Neal Schering, Angela Hubers, Joe Zandstra, Amber Hubers, and Mrs. Birkett.





# Athletics

## Volleyball Stats

### Varsity:

Kankakee Trinity	Won 2-0
Grace Baptist Kankakee	Lost 2-0
Grace Baptist Plymouth	Won 2-0
Calumet Baptist	Lost 3-1
Heritage	Won 2-0
Calumet Baptist	Lost 3-1
Kankakee Trinity	Won 3-1
Grace Bap. Plymouth	won 2-0

### JV:

Kankakee Trinity	Won 3-1
Grace Bap. Kankakee	Won 2-0
Grace Bap. Plymouth	Won 2-0
Calumet Baptist	Lost 2-0
Heritage	Won 2-0
Calumet Baptist	Lost 2-0
Illiana	Lost 2-1
Kankakee Trinity	Won 2-0
Grace Bap. Plymouth	Won 2-0

Volleyball star, Mandy Van Kley, spikes the ball past Kelli Kingma and Jacqueline Bos.

Mandy looks at the ball to make sure her pass goes to the setter.



Betsy Zandstra prepares to serve the ball as Becky Schoon stands ready for action.



Megan Boer stands on her toes, ready to bump the ball.

Back (l to r): Coach Lynn Schakel, Tiffany Tazelaar, Caitlin McKenna, Becky Schoon, Erin Long, Rebecca Dorn, Assistant Coach Alicia Van Kley;  
Front (l to r): Lauren Slater, Laura Turngren, Jenna Bruck, Betsy Zandstra





# Volleyball

After enduring a four-hour-a-day conditioning week at the end of summer, the volleyball team was ready for a great season. They worked well together and could put a bump-set-spike play together while staying on their toes.

Even though the first game turned out to be a scrimmage between the JV and varsity when the opposing team did not show up, with the varsity narrowly winning, the season turned out to be a great experience as the team grew closer together. The sophomores and freshmen learned a lot about team spirit from the varsity players and saw how perseverance and hard work can pay off.



Hannah Johnson blocks a spike from the other team.



What do you think about conditioning week? "I hated it while I was there, but I liked the results!"  
-Lauren Slater.



Back: Coach Lynn Schakel, Kristin Walstra, Assistant Coach Alicia Van Kley;  
Middle: Megan Boer, Sarah Hoek, Caitlin McKenna, Kelli Kingma, Erin Long;  
Bottom: Jacqueline Bos, Tricia Schoon, Mandy Van Kley, Hannah Johnson

# K N I G H T S

The Knights soccer team began with a mediocre start, but as the season passed their skills progressed with the direction of Coach Malcolm DeKryger and Curt Vredevoogd. The last half of the season revealed a new spirit of teamwork that enabled the players to act as a body, and not as individuals. Coach DeKryger said, "We had a great group of guys who played hard every game. Their attitudes were wonderful and they were fun to be with."

Fighting valiantly, Adam wards off a combating player.



Thrusting forward, Daniel sacrifices his body for the ball as he moves onward.



Struggling to gain control of the ball, Nick fights boldly against an opponent.



Top L to R: Coach Curt Vredevoogd, Mike Van Schouwen, Daniel Bykerk, Kyle DeBoer, Nick DeKryger, Neal Schering, Mark Schuringa, Kirk Maatman, Eric Swanson, Joe Zandstra, Sam Wetselaar, Nick DeVries, Coach Malcolm DeKryger, Bottom L to R: David Schurman, Brad Van Kuiken, Jason Schuringa, David Bykerk, Chris Szfranski, Adam Johnson, Ryan Handtke, Steven Handtke, Daniel Glemby.

# Soc

## Boys Stats

Rensselaer Central	.....L
1st Assembly	.....W
Illiana JV	.....T
Grace Baptist	.....W
Calumet Baptist	.....W
LaLumiere	.....T
JV vs. N. Newton	.....W
KV-JV	.....W
Portage Christian	.....W
1st Baptist Mishawaka	.....W
Grace Baptist	.....W
Hebron	.....W
Portage Christian	.....W
Kokomo	.....W
Lakeland	.....L



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## Girls Stats

KV-JV.....	L
Granger.....	L
North Newton.....	W
Rensselaer Central.....	L
Boone Grove.....	L
KV-JV.....	W
Granger Tourney.....	4th
Hebron.....	L

Although the Lady Knights didn't have many victories this year, they grew a lot, greatly improving their running stamina. The women came together and bonded as a team. The base that the girls set this season will be a good foundation for next year. "It was a rebuilding year, and the future looks very promising with the players coming up," said Rev. Tom Wetselaar, coach.

While smoothly dribbling the ball, Amber Hubers looks for a teammate to pass to.



While her fellow teammates wait anxiously, Jessica Wetselaar takes charge and boots the ball.



On her home field, Lauren Kermelis confidently goes after the ball.



Top L to R: Amber Hubers, Danielle Martin, Jessica Kynst, Julia Rittberg, Adrianna Oudman, Angela Hubers, Lauren Ridder, Jen Dekker, Coach Wetselaar. Bottom L to R: Jessica Wetselaar, Lauren Kermelis, Bethany Jacobus, Sara DeBoer, Kerri Wunderink, Jessica Dahm. Not Pictured: Elizabeth Yancey.

# LADY KNIGHTS

# Men's Basketball

The high point of the varsity team's season was their home victory over Illiana Christian, a feat some people doubted would ever happen. Covenant's crowd went wild in the second half, screaming and encouraging the team to victory. When the Knights started pulling away, the crowd grew even more ecstatic as the Knights obtained victory with a score of 63-53.

The team ended their season taking 2nd in the ACSI tournament. They played Kokomo Christian in their first round. The entire team played at the top of their game, won in a blowout, and cruised into the championship game against Lakeland Christian. The Knights fought to the end, but lost 60-72 in a heartbreaker, to take 2nd place.

Coach Mike Fischer says, "On the offensive end, I think we struggled. We were inconsistent at times, struggled to score, and were not as sharp. I think part of the reason for this was the amount of injuries which the team suffered over the season. I think the team was better defensively, with improvements in rebounding and the basic fundamentals. I commend the five seniors, who were the back bone of the team."



Sophomore athlete, Nick DeVries, drains the trey in a home game against Heritage Christian.

**"I commend the 5 seniors, who were the back bone of the team."**

**— Coach Fischer**





Covenant was highly skilled on the defensive end of the court, shown here by Dave Bykerk and Adam Van Der Molen.



JV guard Brad Van Kuiken looks inside for a pass to fellow freshmen, Doug Hoekstra.



Varisty, Back: John Van Schepen, Adam Van Der Molen, Kirk Maatman, Dan Bykerk, Nick DeVries, Sam Wetselaar, Ryan Handtke; Front: Neal Schering, Mike Van Schouwen, Dave Bykerk, Adam Johnson, Chris Szafranski, Coach Mike Fischer.

JV, Back: Alex Tysen, Steve Handtke, Sam Wetselaar, Eric Van Der Molen, Dave Schurman, Ryan Handtke, Aaron VanderMolen; Front: Nick DeVries, Eric Swanson, Kirk Maatman, Doug Hoekstra, Dan Bykerk, Brad VanKuiken, Coach Mike Fischer



Dominant: Tricia Schoon blocks out and gets ready to get the rebound. Inset: Adrianna Oudman and Caitlin McKenna prevent an opponent from passing the ball into a teammate.

### Varsity Basketball Stats

The J.V. had a great season with four wins and one loss. The varsity also did well by winning nine games and losing seven. Both teams played well and to the best of their ability all season.

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Granger	57	43
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Heritage	31	51
Trinity Kankakee	40	64
Trinity South Bend	26	29
Granger	48	35
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Grace Baptist	43	53
Greenwood	26	40
Lakeland	52	34



Varsity Lady Knights. Front row: (l to r) Adrianna Oudman, Angela Hubers, Sarah Hoek, Erin Long, Caitlin McKenna. Back row: (l to r) Brittney Jacobus, Amber Hubers, Tricia Schoon, Marena den Dulk, and Jaqueline Bos.



# Lady Knights Basketball

This team consisted of sixteen girls, the largest team in Covenant history. Everyone on the team worked hard and was very dedicated. "You had to really love basketball to get up early and come to the practices before school," says freshman Bethany Jacobus. The practices really paid off, and the girls went on to win games. Senior Amber Hubers said, "I really enjoyed eating breakfast in the morning after practice." Both the varsity and JV teams lost a great player when Becky Schoon transferred schools halfway through the season. "She was a great player, but the team could still play really well without her," according to Lauren Kermelis. There were many plays that the team learned this year from Coach Nelson Schoon. "He explained a lot during practice," says Sara DeBoer. The efforts of Coaches Schoon and Steve Bos really paid off, and the girls had a great season.



Senior Mandy Van Kley guards an opponent.



JV Lady Knights- Front Row (l to r) Adrianna Oudman, Sarah Hoek, Angela Hubers, Erin Long, Caitlin McKenna. Back Row (l to r) Tiffany Tazelaar, Bethany Jacobus, Sara DeBoer, Jessica Dahm, Lauren Kermelis.



We are the Knights!

Lauren, Julia, and Sarah perform the floor moves carefully.



Cheerleaders need to take a break now and then, too.



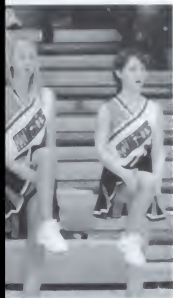
Megan Wilson gets the crowd to cheer.



Jessica, Julia, and Sarah have plenty of energy and enthusiasm to share with the fans.

# Cheerleading

The cheerleading season at CCHS brought about new starts and challenges. The squad gained Coach Debbie Wencil, who was a cheerleader at Crown Point. Four freshmen joined the four returning cheerleaders, and Julia, a senior, also joined. With this many new members, the squad had to work hard to re-establish their stunt groups and learn new cheers before the first games. Coach Wencil said, "The girls' dedication, drive and enthusiasm made the squad dynamic. We had a lot of fun and I'm excited about the 2005-2006 season." Kudos to you, squad!



Jen's smile is contagious.

Back: Coach Wencil, Nicole Mulder, Julia Rittberg, Jen Dekker; Middle: Jessica Terpstra, Sarah Johnson, Rebecca Dorn; Front: Megan Wilson, Lauren Ridder, Amanda Kalma.



The 1600 meter relay is a very challenging race, and here Laura Turngren gives her all running the first lap. Elise Piekarczyk, Betsy Zandstra, and Erin Long ran the remaining laps. At the John Houseward Invitational in Hudsonville, Michigan the women did not score any points, but they performed well as a team.

While in the zone, Lauren Kermelis awaits future developments during a relay.



Back: Erin Long, Adam Van Der Molen, Steve Handtke, Adam Johnson, Ryan Handtke, Joe Zandstra, Sam Wetselaar, Eric Swanson, Nick DeVries, Chris Szafranski, Tiffany Tazelaar, Jessica Dahm; Front: Amanda Kalma, Laura Turngren, Angela Hubers, Lauren Kermelis, Betsy Zandstra, Elise Piekarczyk. Not Pictured: Coach Becky Vandersluis

# Track and Field

The track team, having increased in numbers since last year had an encouraging season. The relay teams especially saw improvements. The track team, which consisted of nine freshmen, five sophomores, one junior, and three seniors, had more opportunities this year with more meets on their schedule. For the seniors it was a good finish to their high school athletic career.

The scheduled meets included:

Chicagoland-----	April 12
John Houseward Invitational-----	April 16
Boone Grove-----	April 19
Gene Edmonds Relays-----	May 3
Kankakee Valley-----	May 12

Finishing up his leg of the 800 meter relay, Junior Adam Van Der Molen hands the baton off to Sophomore Ryan Handtke. The relay team consisted of Senior Adam Johnson, who run the first leg, and Senior Joe Zandstra, who ran the last leg. The relay team got sixth place. At the John Hoseward Invitational meet the men's team earned a respectable tenth place out of a tough field of 15 schools.



Sam Wetselaar gets pumped to run the first two laps of the 3200 meter relay. This was one of the races that Covenant participated in at the John Houseward invitational meet.



The only boy in high jump at the dual meet with Boone Grove was Nick DeVries. Here he is in midflight at the point of no return. DeVries went on to take first place in the event.





# Student Life

## Senior Service Week in Juarez, Mexico

# Lending a Helping Hand

*Kristin Walstra*

*What is one thing that stood out in your trip?*

**"Our trip made me realize how much we take for granted in the US."**



*Dave Bykerk*

*What will you remember the most?*

**"Playing caballo with the little kids."**



During the week of April 22-30, the senior class had the opportunity to serve in Juarez, Mexico.

They transported boxes of supplies to different warehouses, played with the kids, and helped a church get ready for their grand opening by mudding, painting, and staining the sanctuary. Others stayed behind and helped get ready for "The Day of the Child."

"The people are very different there, said Mark Schuringa. We were kicking a ball around and accidentally hit a car. The car stopped and a guy yelled "El Vive" (meaning He Lives). If that happened in America we would have gotten chewed out."

That week was a spiritual high for the seniors, and something they never want to forget. They were warned not to go home unchanged. Tim Gamwell, leader of Life Challenge, told us, "The second you step off the plane and into Chicago, the devil will be there waiting to tempt you."



Moving sheetrock out of a warehouse and into the trailer, the girls hold tightly to their work.



Kate Belstra, Adam Johnson, and Chris Hubers spend time with a little boy from Juarez.





Making a castle with a little girl, Nicole Mulder gives her a helping hand.



Hey! Get back to work! Amber Hubers, Josh Kuiper, and Julia Rittberg take a break from loading the trailer.



Hanging out with fellow friends, the seniors enjoy their time with the people of Juarez.

"There's a spot," said Mandy Van Kley, helping the little girl paint.



## Inez, Kentucky

*What do you think about service week?*

Mary Ann  
Van Schepen



"Service week was an awesome experience. I liked getting to know the people of Inez."

*What was the best part about service week?*

Jake Jones



"I liked building the deck because it was just guys."

For service week this year, the junior class went to Inez, Kentucky to help at Appalachia Reach Out. The juniors helped the people of Inez by doing interior and exterior painting of homes, building a deck/wheelchair ramp, and doing odd jobs around ARO.

Because the class was working in homes, the juniors were able to interact with other people. For some students, the best part of the trip was talking to the people.

The juniors also did a lot of other activities such as touring the Martin County coal mines, visiting and researching an abandoned mansion, and attending a Bible study with the local youth group. Overall, the juniors all agreed that service week was a time of fun service and spiritual growth.



Scrubbing mold off the side of Elmer's house was one of the more interesting jobs for Megan Boer and Kiersten Friend.





Brittney Jacobus uses her hands to mud a wall, while Kelli Kingma does it the more traditional way.



The juniors made Mrs. Dunton proud by wanting to research the history of this mansion that they visited.

The juniors visit a coal mine.



Painting a house is one of Mrs. Van Kuiken's specialties.

The group works together to finish painting a porch.

## Sophomores in Michigan

*What was your favorite job while working at the camp?*

*Jenna Bruck*



"My favorite job was designing and painting the welcome sign in the entrance of the camp."

*How did you spend your free time as a class?*

*Erin Long*



"As a class we spent most of our free time playing games like, 'Honey if you love me,' board games, and pool."

Our class trip to Camp Tall Turf was a memorable experience that many of us will never forget. We not only served God by improving the camp, but we also grew closer together as a class. Our day began with morning devotions and an early breakfast provided by the students. After this we were split into our small work groups and were given our tasks for the day. These tasks ranged from raking, painting, cleaning, building, and organizing. One the of more difficult jobs we took on was building a mile long boardwalk through the swamp. An unpleasant task we had was the job of scraping and painting sixteen bathroom floors. This job was taken on by six determined girls. Our day ended with dinner, free time and evening devotions. Throughout our week we not only grew closer to the Lord through service, but also enhanced our friendships.



Robert takes a turn at splitting wood.



It took the whole class to load this heavy sailboat onto a truck





Wood had to be carried by hand for more than than a mile to get it into place.

The whole group gathers on a favorite hang out one last time before heading for home.



Sam takes a turn at raking. The rakes were in use every day.

Aaron checked for snakes in the wood pile before splitting his share.

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## Freshman Service Week

*What did you like the best about Elim?*

*Daniel Glemby*



"I loved seeing the kids light up when they went under the parachute."

*Did you like mulching at Camp Manitouqua?*

*Daniel Bykerk*



"No, not really; it was hard, but I liked making a difference."

In the last week of April, the freshmen got the opportunity to serve others at Camp Manitouqua, Elim, and in the DeMotte area. The 2005 freshmen were the first class to stay overnight at Camp Manitouqua. While there they painted cabins and picnic shelters, mulched, and picked up sticks. They also had meaningful times of worship at night. On Wednesday they returned to school and planned for Elim. The next day they went to Elim where they put on a puppet show, sang and danced, and played with the five to nine year olds. On Friday the freshmen went to various places around DeMotte and cleaned up the parks. This week provided an opportunity for the freshmen to serve others and grow closer as a class.



Concentrating, Kerri, Eric, Steve, Dan, and Katie work together to get the marble into the bucket.

Filling in the spaces, Lauren Slater paints with a smile.



The freshmen  
regularly work the  
best of their  
ability at Every  
Man's Show.



Half painting and half goofing off, Jason Schuringa makes his classmates laugh.

Priming and painting, the group of freshmen are glad to serve.



Putting her full effort in a game, Sara DeBoer would be smiling if she could.

Smiling and laughing, Elise Piekarczyk dances and sings with the kids at Elim.



# 50's Christmas Banquet **Blast from the Past**

What happened to Covenants student body? Did they really go back into the 50's? They sure did! Student Council sponsored this event with catered food and entertainment. The entertainment for the night were skits and the game "Bigger or Better." It was a night of fun and fellowship that included the feeling of being back in the 1950's.



Jessica Wetselaar helped Ryan Handtke show off his authentic 50's sweater.



## Freshmen Mingle



The big group of freshmen look great in 2004 in their 1950's black leather jackets and pink sweaters and pearls.





Robert shows up in one of the many unusual articles of clothing that were pulled out of storage.

Shelley, Kristin and Tricia are ready for the fun to begin.



Mr. Tanning chats with a group of sophomores right out of the 1950's.



Elise sure is proud of the chair her group got for their scavenger hunt.



"I'm hungry!" is what Jason, Alex, Doug, and Steve are thinking.



These guys got style! Nick De Kryger and Adam Van Der Molen are drinking punch.

## \* Senior Skit-What do now?



"What do now?" was the phrase said in this hilarious senior skit that was one part of the entertainment. From left: Neal Schering, Mandy Van Kley, Tricia Schoon, Chris Szfranski, Mark Schuringa, and Kate Belstra.

Mark Schuringa, Jessica Wetselaar, and Adam Van Der Molen strike poses behind this popular photo spot.



After her successful attempt at the limbo, Kelli Kingma makes her way back to the end of the line. Nick DeKryger and Brittney Jacobus hold the bar while Adam Johnson goes under and Sarah Hoek waits for her turn.



The junior class worked hard in order to ensure a successful and happy evening in honor of the soon to graduate senior class. Kyle De Boer and Kiersten Friend spiraled flowers around the pillars and the windows were also framed with more brightly colored tissue paper flowers.



While smiling authentically, Adam Johnson, Chris Szafranski, and Josh Kuiper pose as Hawaiian dancers.

# Junior/Senior Banquet

The cafeteria turned into a scene straight out of Hawaii for the 2005 banquet. It included a volcano, palm trees, and even real goldfish in bowls at each table. The entertainment was karaoke, limbo, appropriate music, as well as an Awards Presentation. Awards were given to the seniors based upon what the junior class thought each

senior was most likely to do in the future.

The menu included various fruits and barbecued pork, in keeping with the Hawaiian theme. Aloha shirts and flowery dresses were popular articles of clothing. The colorful clothing added to the festive Hawaiian atmosphere that transformed the school for this festive evening.



Joshua Kuiper, Nick DeKryger, Kyle DeBoer, David Bykerk, Mark Schurings, Neal Schering, Adam Johnson, Adam Van Der Molen, and Chris Szafranski entertain the audience while singing the chorus of "My Girl."



During a lull, Mr. Tamming and Mr. Alphenaar discuss the banquet.

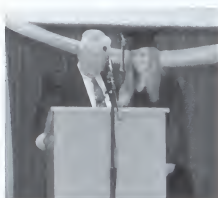


While singing Disney tunes, Kiersten Friend, Mrs. Friend, and Megan Boer look at the screen to make sure they are singing correctly.

Taken aback by Mr. Alphenaar's serenading, Joe Zandstra awaits developments in the selection from "The Sound of Music."

In a fury of excitement, Kate Belstra leads the class into the gym at the beginning of the graduation ceremony.

Covenant's exchange student, Julia Rittberg, receives a congratulations from Mr. Tamming in her native tongue of German.



The commencement speaker, Dr. Rick Snoeyink, delivered a speech based on his own experiences. Directed to the graduates, he emphasized the class verse by breaking it down and diagramming it. Dr. Snoeyink challenged the graduates by pointing out the importance of their Christian actions.



"Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying,  
And I said, 'Here am I.

# Graduating Class of 2005



Adam Johnson came prepared with a built in box of kleenex for the receiving line.



Shelley Lagestee, Josh Kuiper and Nicole Mulder are congratulated by Mrs. Julia Dunton in the reception line following the ceremony.



On May 27, 2005 the public was invited to witness the graduation ceremony of eighteen students. Adam Johnson, the class speaker, verbalized the class' bond as a family and as members of the body of Christ.

"Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?"  
Send me!"

*Isaiah 6:8*

I,  
Kristin Walstra,  
will my ability  
to be quiet to  
Becca Dorn.



I, Christopher A. Szafranski,  
will my position as Covenant's  
technological genius  
for all forms of media to  
Doug Hoekstra and  
Dan De Graff.

I, Amber Hubers,  
will my meekness, quietness,  
and weariness to argue to  
Angela Hubers and  
Jacqueline Bos.



I, Joshua Kuiper,  
will my  
many haircut styles  
to Ryan and Steven Handtke.

I, Mark Schuringa,  
will my promoting of  
Nascar as a sport  
to Jessica Terpstra.



I, Kate Belstra,  
will my shortness  
to  
Angela Bykerk.

I, Mandy Van Kley,  
will my volleyball jump serve  
to  
Caitlin McKenna.

I, Nicole Mulder,  
will my  
rarely occurring  
boisterousness  
to Jenna Bruck.



I,  
Mike Van Schouwen,  
will my humor  
to all.





I,  
Julia Rittberg,  
will my  
German accent  
to Sarah Johnson.



I, Tricia Schoon,  
will my random references  
to obscure and funny movies  
to Elise Piekarczyk.



I, Joe Zandstra,  
will my  
jumping potential  
to Mark Vander Meer.



I,  
Chris Hubers,  
will my ability  
to sleep through class  
to Nick De Vries.



I, Adam Johnson, will my  
athletic speed and agility to  
Adam Van Der Molen.



I, Marena den Dulk,  
will my bench warming  
basketball skills  
to Brittney Jacobus.



I, Xael Schering,  
will my work ethic and touching  
nature to Eric Swanson.

I,  
Shelley Lagestee,  
will my laugh to  
Adrianna Oudman.

I, Dave Bykerk,  
will my ability to style a  
cheerleading outfit to  
Nick DeKryger.

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